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Dear Parents of Students Entering Grades 2- 5,

We are pleased to share with you the success of this year's reading/writing program. Students were required to read 25 books in Grades 1-5. A variety of writing activities were presented in the students' Readers Response Logs. Our Hillel students did an outstanding job completing these assignments.

As a culmination to this year's reading/writing program, we are requiring every student to read **2 books** over the summer. Attached is a reading list. For Grades 3-5 the books are categorized by genres. Students should read two books from two different genres. Also enclosed is a list of one grade higher for those children who would like to read more challenging books. Additionally, please note that **Elvira Woodruff** will be our guest author in December. It is a good idea to expose your child to her writings.

Your child should jot down on an index card what the books were about. During the first week of school, he/she will be asked a critical thinking question about the books.

Barnes & Noble and the Ocean Township Library on Deal Road have stocked these books. In addition, for your convenience this list is posted on the Hillel Yeshiva website. If you have any questions about this assignment, please feel free to call me at ext. 233.

Have a wonderful summer!

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Dear Parents of Students Entering Grades 6/7/8,

This year we have integrated the summer reading with our Social Studies curriculum for grades 6-8. Therefore, we are requiring each student to read **1** historical fiction and **1** book of another genre. The books were chosen from the time period in history which your child will be studying in Social Studies next year in order to prepare him/her for next year's course of study.

The second book for the summer reading is free choice of title and/or genre. Please see the attached suggested but not required book list. If you are selecting a book of your choice, please be sure that the reading level is appropriate. Additionally, a 5th grade reading list is included for students entering 6th grade who are reading below grade level.

Your child should write a one page typed report on the historical fiction book. He/she should explain what life would be like if he/she lived in that time period. For the second book, jot down on an index card the name of the book, the author, and a short summary of the book. When he/she returns in September, the teacher will ask your child to do an activity with this information

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